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HOUSE BILL NO. 891

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAMBERT

ENVIRONMENT/QUALITY DEPT: Provides for the organization of the Dept. of Environmental Quality

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 36:231(C)(1), to enact R.S. 30:2011(D)(26), and to repeal R.S.
3 30:2011(C)(1)(b) and R.S. 36:238(C), relative to the offices within the Department
4 of Environmental Quality; to provide for the purposes for the offices within the
5 Department of Environmental Quality; to provide for the elimination of the office
6 of environmental assessment; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 30:2011(D)(26) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §2011. Department of Environmental Quality created; duties; powers; structure

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11 D. The secretary shall have the following powers and duties:

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13 (26) To provide for the functions of environmental air quality assessment,
14 water quality assessment, remediation services, and laboratory services and to assign
15 each of these functions to the office of environmental compliance or the office of
16 environmental services.

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1 Section 2. R.S. 36:231(C)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

2 §231. Department of Environmental Quality; creation; domicile; composition;
3 purposes and functions

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5 C.(1) The Department of Environmental Quality shall be composed of the
6 executive office of the secretary, the office of management and finance, ~~the office~~
7 ~~of environmental assessment~~, the office of environmental compliance, and the office
8 of environmental services.

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10 Section 3. R.S. 30:2011(C)(1)(b) and R.S. 36:238(C) are hereby repealed in their
11 entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Eliminates the office of environmental assessment and transfers that office's functions to the secretary of the Dept. of Environmental Quality.

Present law provides for the office of environmental assessment within the Dept. of Environmental Quality which is charged with performing environmental air quality assessment, water quality assessment, and laboratory services, and administering all remediation services.

Proposed law eliminates the office of environmental assessment and transfers those functions to the secretary who shall assign each of these functions to the office of environmental compliance or the office of environmental services.

(Amends R.S. 36:231(C)(1); Adds R.S. 30:2011(D)(26); Repeals R.S. 30:2011(C)(1)(b) and R.S. 36:238(C))